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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/542,323	Applicant(s) DEMARNE ET AL.	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Melenie McCormick.

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Date of Interview: 21 June 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: All, in general.

Identification of prior art discussed: All, in general.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed claim amendments proposed by Applicants' representative including expanding the term "buds" so as to recite --stem buds-- in order to help distinguish the invention over the art of record. The examiners indicated that this newly recited limitation would require additional searching and/or consideration and suggested that an RCE be filed. Applicants' representative stated that support for --stem buds-- is provided in the foreign priority document and, therefore, they plan to also file an amended specification containing this limitation with the RCE .